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to distribute for you a little history of the process and the executive summary. Obviously, we aren't going to have time in this session to deal with all the recommendations but I am committed to continuing to bring those back until, and I know Senator Suttle was also a member of the task force and who last year lead a similar team working on issues of the juvenile code. So much work needs to be done in this area. This bill deals with a critical part of that area. These are the people who served on the task force and I just want to make this part of the record: Paige Beard, who is the Executive Director of Nebraska CASA, that's the Court Appointed Special Advocate program; John Clark from the Department of Education; Allen Curtis, who was Executive Director of the Crime Commission; Howard Ferguson, who is Warden of the Nebraska Correctional Youth Facility of the Department of Corrections; Scott Ford, who is the Chief of Police of South Sioux City; Chris Hannus from the Department of Health and Human Services; Frank Jenson, who is Deputy Probation Administrator; James Jones, who is the Youth Violence Avoidance Director of the Lincoln Action Program; Yvonne Norton Leung, Director, Governor's Policy Research Office;...

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: One minute.

SENATOR THOMPSON: ...Mark Martin, who is with the Department of Health and Human Services, and I would mention that Mark is in the Rotunda should any of you have any questions you'd like to discuss off the mike with him or, obviously, he wouldn't be on the mike, but if you would like to have a private conversation with him and discuss anything, he's available today; Dennis McCarville, who is President and CEO of Uta Hallee Girls Village and Cooper Village; Linda Steinman, who is a Lancaster County Commissioner; Deb Suttle, State Senator from District 14...10, excuse me, I am 14, well, I just get reading and I never know where it's going to take me; Judge Thomas, Judge Wadie Thomas, who is the Douglas County Juvenile Court; and I was Chair and I am from District 14, I remember that. But this group, the bills that are developed I take responsibility for. They are, and in the current form, they're subject to a number of compromises which were developed.

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: Time.